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To require congressional approval for certain uses of the exchange stabilization fund.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Bachus (for himself and Mr. King) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Exchange Stabilization
- 5 Fund Amendments of 1995".

1	SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL REQUIRED FOR CER-
2	TAIN USES OF THE EXCHANGE STABILIZA-
3	TION FUND.
4	(a) Presidential Certification.—Section 5302
5	of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at
6	the end the following new subsection:
7	"(e) Certification.—The Secretary may not make
8	any loan or extension of credit under this section with re-
9	spect to a single foreign entity or government of a foreign
10	country (including agencies or other entities of such gov-
11	ernment), unless the President certifies to the Committee
12	on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate
13	and the Committee on Banking and Financial Services of
14	the House of Representatives that—
15	"(1) there is no projected cost (as that term is
16	defined in section 502 of the Federal Credit Reform
17	Act of 1990) to the United States from the proposed
18	loan or extension of credit; and
19	"(2) any proposed obligation or expenditure of
20	United States funds to or on behalf of the foreign
21	government is adequately backed by an assured
22	source of repayment to ensure that all United States
23	funds will be repaid.".
24	(b) Limitation on Use of Exchange Stabiliza-
25	TION FUND.—Section 5302 of title 31, United States
26	Code, is amended by inserting after subsection (e) (as

- 1 added by subsection (a) of this section) the following new
- 2 subsection:
- 3 "(f) Limitation on Use of Fund.—Notwithstand-
- 4 ing subsection (a)(2), except as provided by an Act of Con-
- 5 gress, the Secretary may not make any loan or extension
- 6 of credit under this section with respect to a single foreign
- 7 entity or government of a foreign country (including agen-
- 8 cies or other entities of such government) that would re-
- 9 sult in expenditures and obligations, including contingent
- 10 obligations, aggregating more than \$1,000,000,000 with
- 11 respect to such foreign country for more than 180 days
- 12 during the 12-month period beginning on the date on
- 13 which the first such action is taken.".
- 14 (c) Scope of Application.—Subsections (e) and (f)
- 15 of section 5302 of title 31, United States Code (as added
- 16 by this section) shall not apply to any action taken under
- 17 such section as part of the program of assistance to Mex-
- 18 ico announced by the President on January 31, 1995.
- 19 (d) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 5302(b) of
- 20 title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking the
- 21 2d sentence.
- (e) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 23 this section shall apply on and after October 1, 1995.